

# Indian Red Cross Society

Pan-India COVID19 Response



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## Today's Highlights



### RED CROSSERS WITH HEARTS OF GOLD

Volunteers in **Punjab** are ensuring that the most vulnerable don't get left out.

They have collected essential items such as **dry ration**, soaps, etc. for **TB patients** & their families. Volunteers make sure that the TB patients registered with the Red Cross do not face any hardships



Volunteers in **Shimoga, Karnataka** conducted a sensitization program for **stranded workers** who had come to the city for a **textile exhibition**. Many of the workers are under depression for being away from their families. Our volunteers made all efforts to counsel them & provided **psychological support** to the needy



## Today's Updates



Staff & Volunteers in **Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand** are inquiring about the **health & well being** of individuals who have either returned home after the lockdown or have a travel history. Information on dos & don'ts is also being disseminated during these **phone calls**. Volunteers are using this '**Corona War Room**' to also reach the needy with relief aid, medicines, etc.



Volunteers of **Guntur District Branch, Andhra Pradesh** are **managing** the District Administration's **COVID 19 Control Room**. Everyday in the morning, volunteers are assigned the tasks for the day. They **handle procurement** and **distribution** of hygiene products such as masks, soaps, sanitizers, etc. besides providing essential aid such as dry ration & other food materials



Volunteers in **West Bengal** engaged vulnerable rural communities in a session on proper **hand washing**. People were also educated on the importance of maintaining **social distancing**. **Volunteers** made **personal contributions** to distribute **masks & soaps** among the needy. Local ANM & ASHA workers also accompanied our volunteers

Volunteers in **Tamil Nadu** reached one of the most **marginalized and vulnerable sections** of society. They **distributed** medicines, soaps and masks among residents of a **Leprosy Home** besides **sharing information** on prevention & spread of COVID19. Volunteers answered their queries and helped in allaying their fears

# रोज 1000 से ज्यादा मजदूरों को भोजन खिला रहा रेडक्रॉस

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वैश्विक बीमारी कोरेना के कारण आज जब लोग अपने घरों में कैद हैं। कोई चाहेकर भी एक-दूसरे को मदद के लिये खड़ा नहीं हो पा रहे हैं। हाट-बाजारों में भी दुकानें पूरी तरह से बंद हैं, तो इन हालात में



Volunteers in Singrauli, Madhya Pradesh are providing food to 1000+ migrant labourers & street dwellers twice a day



Hon'ble Gov. of Telangana & President IRCS Telangana, Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan distributed groceries among migrant labourers in Mallapur



The Blood Bank at IRCS NHQ is disinfected every alternate day to ensure safety of staff, blood donors & patient attendants

## Red Cross Volunteers in action

60,000+



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577



Districts in India

## Primary Activities

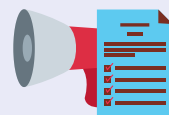
### Dissemination & Awareness Creation

Through IEC material developed in local languages.

Campaigns in public places, at doorsteps to reach the last mile

By enforcing social distancing in public places such as pharmacy shops, kirana stores, farmer markets

Distribution of PPE: masks, gloves, sanitizers, soaps



### Preparation & Distribution of Food among the needy

Community kitchens being run to prepare & deliver packed food to migrants, homeless, in slums & remote rural areas

Dry ration & clean water being distributed

Fruits, water being provided to volunteers & Government staff providing services



## IRCS' Focus



In close coordination with the district administration, Red Cross volunteers are conducting the following activities:

- **Community Surveillance** to enforce lockdown and social distancing in public places
- **Home delivery of essential items** such as food, ration, medicines for women headed households, senior citizens, disabled individuals
- **Logistic support** in running and monitoring **quarantine & isolation centers** and homes of suspect cases
- Several **Red Cross hospitals & cyclone shelters** are being **converted into Isolation centres** for suspect cases
- Where possible, available spaces are being converted into **Shelter Homes** for the needy
- Pilgrims, tourists, migrant labourers, students & others are being provided food & shelter & are **being connected with their families**

**Red Cross owned vehicles** have been made available to the local administration for use

Out of the total 89 Red Cross **blood banks**, many are **being run 24/7**. All efforts are being made to meet the needs of **Thalassemic & other blood transfusion dependent patients**. **Pick and drop facility** is being provided to donors **wherever possible**.

**All precautions are being taken to ensure safety of staff, blood donors and patient attendants.**